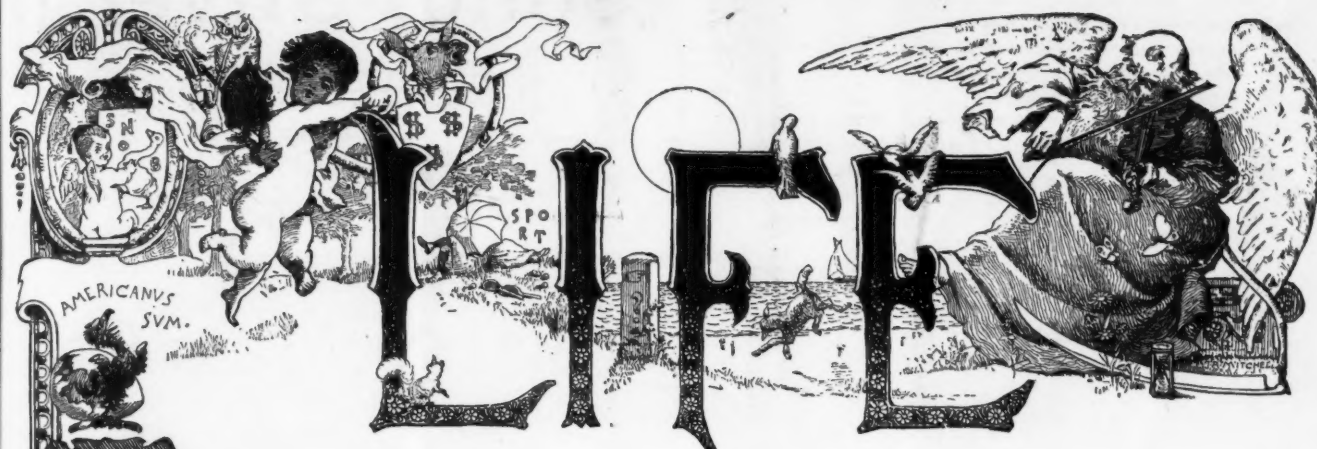


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"MAMMA, IF A CHILD SHOULD BE BORN ON THE OCEAN, TO WHAT NATION WOULD IT BELONG?"

"WHY, TO THE NATION TO WHICH HIS FATHER AND MOTHER BELONGED, OF COURSE."

"WELL, I KNOW. BUT SUPPOSE HIS FATHER AND MOTHER WERE NOT WITH HIM. SUPPOSING HE WAS TRAVELING WITH HIS AUNT?"



"While there's Life there's Hope."

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IT grows more and more doubtful whether there will be anything this year that can reasonably be

called a Presidential cam-

paign. There were some symptoms of a stir several weeks ago over Commissioner Peck's report, of which, it may be remembered, certain conscientious gentlemen demanded permission to make an autopsy. They went about it, and have possibly succeeded by this time in getting some of its viscera under the microscope, but the sudden interest in cholera germs so completely superseded all concern about political bacilli that it seems doubtful if their conclusions ever attain the public ear. Some of the newspapers still continue to print matter bearing on the approaching Presidential election, but they grudge the necessary space, and there is no reason to believe that any considerable portion of the community pays attention to what they do print. There is nothing particular the matter with either Mr. Cleveland or Mr. Harrison, and they have fallen into the desuetude temporarily common to all forms of innocuousness. Whoever wants to be talked about just now must show up some germs.



HOW much the pound of cholera-cure would cost this country is something that LIFE trusts will never be tested, but surely the ounce of prevention, as so far experienced, comes high enough to warrant an effort to apply it farther back. One way to do that is to stop immigration, and that for a time has been partly done. But why not go back farther still? It seems that cholera usually starts at the shrine of Hurdwar in Hindostan, where, every twelfth year a huge mass-meeting of Hindoos gets together and contrives to pile up a heap of ob-

jectionable matter sufficiently vast and nasty to poison the whole world. Why the effete East should be allowed to put up any such outrageous job on the rest of mankind does not appear. Nor does there seem to be any reasonable objection to a combine of all the Western nations for the purpose of providing for the attendance of an adequate armed force at the opening of the next function at Hurdwar, which shall teach those dirty heathen to mend their manners and be decent. A force of 50,000 modern troops, aided by 100,000 undertakers, would probably be sufficient to do a fairly thorough piece of sanitation at Hurdwar, and make cholera germs reasonably scarce. To be so forehanded might seem somewhat arbitrary, but it would be all in the seeming. For in the first place people with cholera, or prospects of cholera, have no rights as compared with people without it; and secondly, we have as much right to clean out the Hindoos with bullets as they have to clean us out with plagues. So Hurdwar seems the proper place to have the ounce of prevention get in its work.

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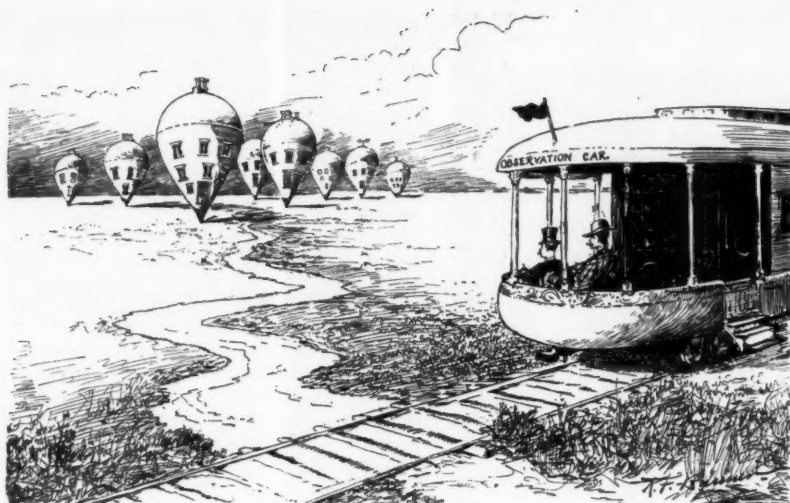
TO get the Norman-
nia's passengers
safe ashore was a
greater relief to the
American people than
it would have been
to have the National debt
wiped out. Nothing
wings the public heart
like the distresses of
people who are used
to be comfortable. It
seems odd now, that
when the authorities
were at their wits end
to know what to do
with the detained pas-
sengers, it should have
occurred to no one to
tie a stone around each
passenger's neck and

drop him over, thereby ending his misery, and preventing his doing any harm ashore.

As it turned out, we believe that all of us, even the late suspects themselves, are glad that that simple expedient was not suggested, particularly as Mr. Godkin would have been the first to go, and the *Evening Post* would have grumbled about it for two or three weeks.

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OF all Arctic explorers Lieutenant Peary seems to have come the nearest to establishing a reasonable relation between outlay and results. His expedition cost but one life, and only a very moderate sum of money, yet it adds ten minutes to the geography lesson of every school-child in the United States.



Eastern Visitor: WHAT AN EXTRAORDINARY STYLE OF ARCHITECTURE YOU SEE IN SOME OF THESE PRAIRIE TOWNS.

Native: THEY ARE BUILT ON THE PRINCIPLE OF THE BOY'S TOP. UPPER STORIES FILLED WITH GAS. WHEN THE CYCLONE WITH ITS FUNNEL-SHAPED CLOUD COMES ALONG, IT JUST SPINS 'EM 'ROUND AND NOBODY'S HURT.

THEIR NATIONALITY.

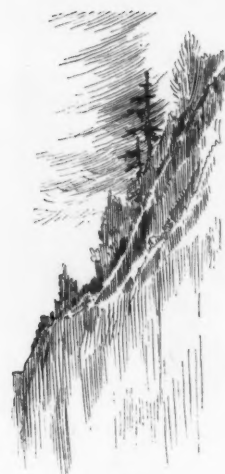
THE reporter on a Western newspaper timidly approached the city editor's desk, after the manner of Western reporters.

"There's a delegation of foreign visitors at the Cornucopia Hotel, sir," he announced.

"Where from?" queried the city editor, jabbing a large blue pencil through a small local item.

"I don't know, sir. There's a whole string of Kellys, and Murphys and O'Hooligans, and McGinnises and Harrigans, and O'Raffertys and Brannigans, and Mc——"

"That's enough," said the city editor, holding up his hand. "They're from New York City, of course. Go down and see what they're here for."



HARD HIT.

SCENE: *The Catskills.*

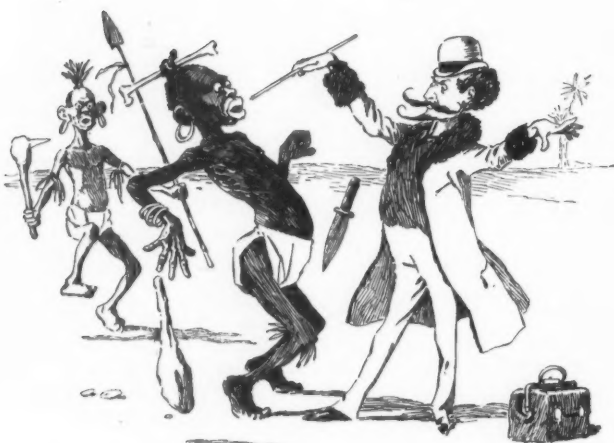
"BILLY, I BELIEVE I'M IN LOVE."

"WHAT MAKES YOU THINK SO, TOM?"

"'CAUSE I WASHES MY NECK AND COMBS MY HAIR WITHOUT BEING TOLD."



THE USES OF MAGIC.



BOOKISHNESS

THE "HUSTLER" IN RECENT FICTION.

THREE notable novels, within recent months, have presented as many portraits of the typical American business man as he is finally, it would seem, to take his place among the stock characters of fiction. To this achievement Mr. Howells has contributed *Fulkerson* in the "Hazard of New Fortunes;" Messrs. Stevenson and Osbourne *Pinkerton*, in "The Wrecker," and Messrs. Kipling and Balestier, *Tarvin* in "The Naulahka." That men of their acknowledged skill and eminence should almost simultaneously devote their energies to depicting the same type shows that there is something very interesting about him. The curious thing is that by widely different methods (covering the whole range of the novelists' art from extreme realism to extreme romanticism) these writers—born in Scotland, New York, Ohio, California, and India, circling the earth in their origins and experiences—should create three men so very much alike that they are practically identical in their prevailing characteristics.

More than that, there are pages of the dialogue which one, who had not the story and varied setting to guide him, might ascribe indifferently to any one of the three. There can hardly be the shadow of a doubt that *Fulkerson* would have boomed Topaz just as *Tarvin* managed it; that *Pinkerton* would have floated *Every-other-week* with the tactics of *Fulkerson*, and that both together would have followed *Tarvin's* foot-steps in search of the Naulahka.

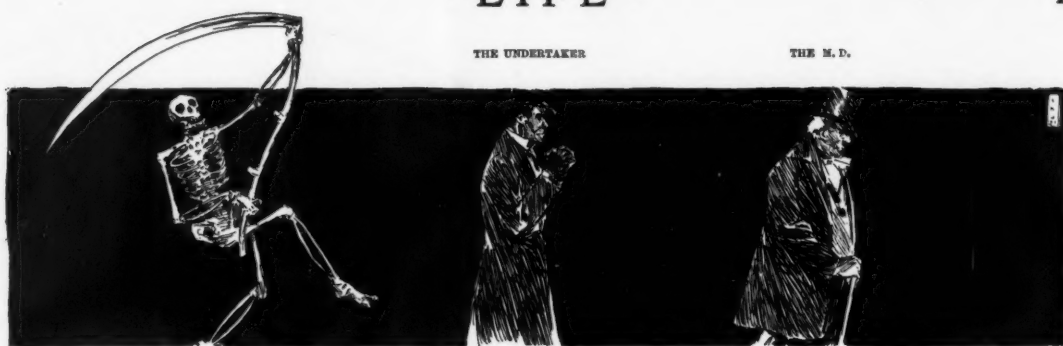
Whatever his name, this typical American is cool, shrewd and daring, a little unscrupulous, a fluent talker, ready in expedients, a man of imagination and wit, and withal a good-fellow, who is always chivalrous to women. He does not know that he possesses these qualities, for his creed is very simple:

"It is not wealth, nor rank, nor state,
But get-up-and-get that makes men great."

* * *

THERE are not wanting signs, however, that Mr. T. Fulkerson Pinkerton has reached what he would call the "zenith of his glory" in fiction at about the time when his prestige in the actual business world has begun slowly and surely to wane. He has been tolerated, after he ceased to be implicitly trusted, because he is really





THE MARCH OF SCIENCE.

amusing, and a man who devotes all his time to business must take his amusement with his business or not at all.

All the time that the Hustler has been piling up "glittering successes," there has been an element in every community that has refused to be dazzled by him. It is now beginning to be realized by the bulk of those citizens who are neither "hustlers" nor "solid men" that in the long run the latter have come out ahead, after the manner of the hare and tortoise. What the American in the bulk really worships is the "coming out ahead," and now he is shifting his allegiance to the tortoise.

There are not so many sarcastic paragraphs aimed at "old fogeys" as once there were. You read the names of more gray-haired, respectable men of education and decent lives, on the lists of Boards of Directors. A notion is beginning to prevail that in the long run experience and integrity make a good pair to back in the financial game. These are not new ideas—they are as old as the fine stock that originally made the country; but they have been a little obscured for twenty years.

It would not be surprising if before long men and women began to believe ardently again in many things which used to make life genuine, if not beautiful.

NEW BOOKS.

DOWN THE DANUBE. By Poultney Bigelow. New York: Charles L. Webster and Company.

A Young Man of the Period. By André Thueriet. Translation by Max Maury. Chicago: Laird and Lee.

Strikers and Communists. By Allan Pinkerton. New York: G. W. Dillingham.

A Soul from Pudge's Corners. By Jessie F. O'Donnell. New York: G. W. Dillingham.



"OH, MAMMA, JACK LONGACRE PROPOSED TO ME LAST NIGHT AND I ACCEPTED HIM."

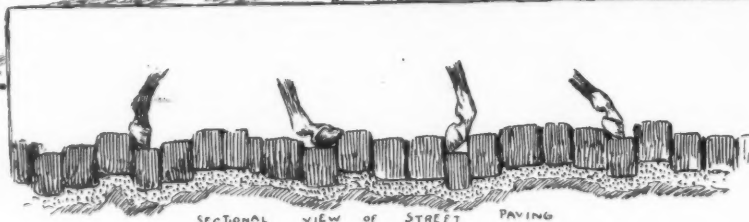
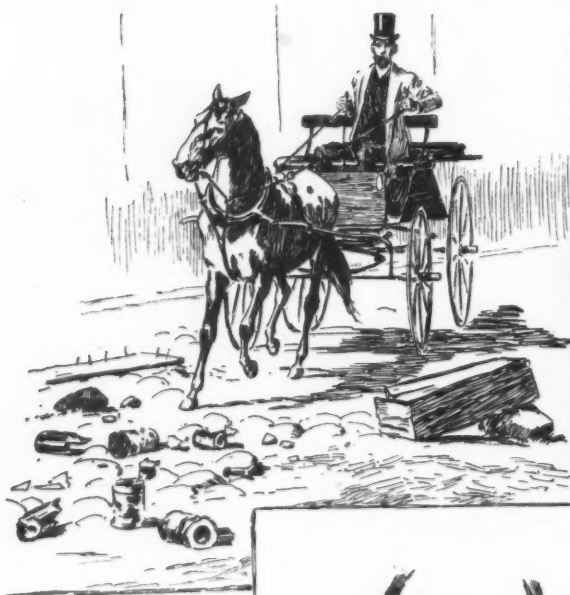
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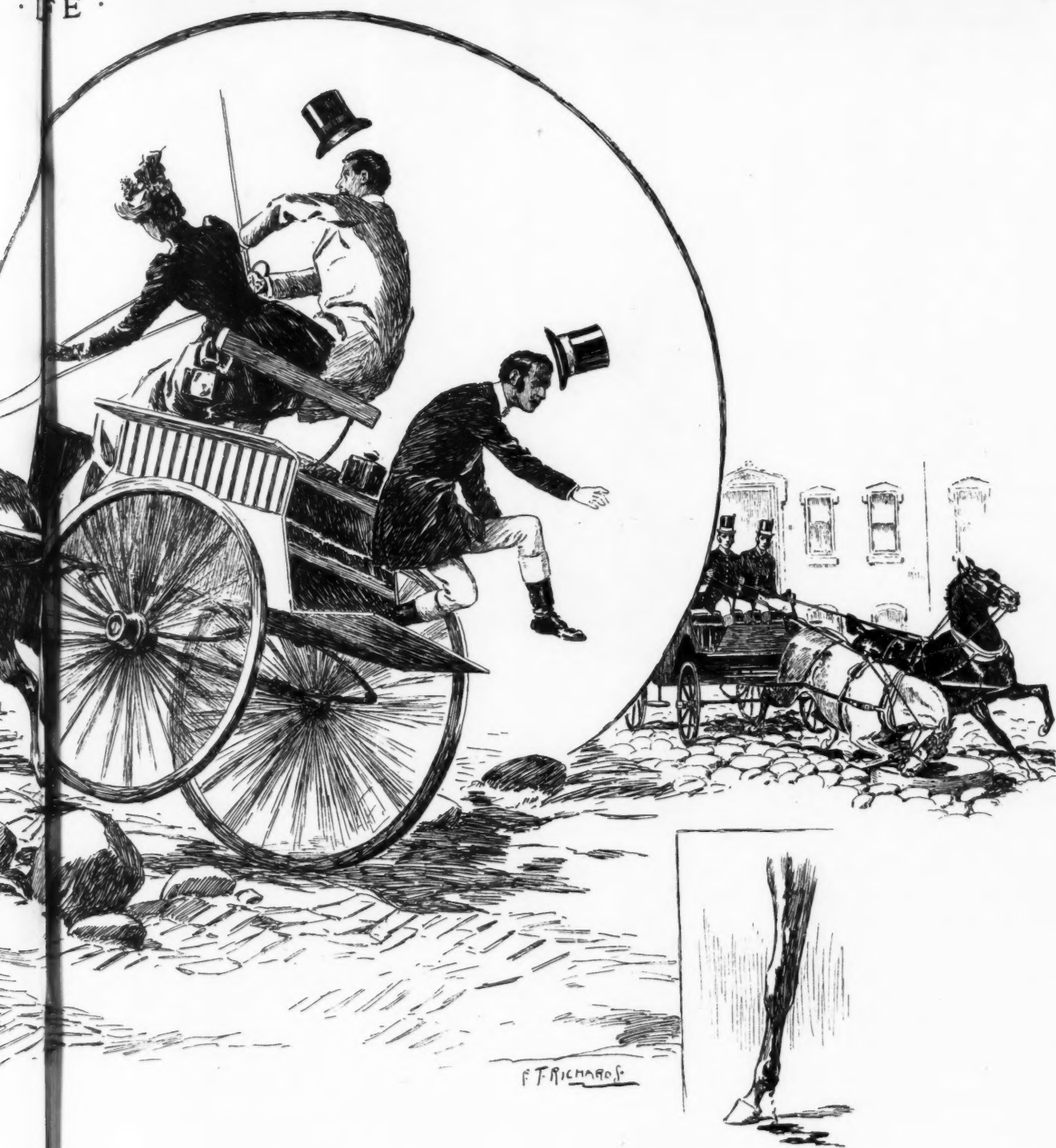
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HE WAS OVER NICE.

BIGGSBY: Why did Teddy Chumley leave your club?

QUIRK: It came to his ears that coarse salt was used in the cooking, and he couldn't eat the food.

"I HADN'T heard that you'd been ill, Smithson."

"Have though; been pretty close to death's door."

"Is that so?"

"Yes; two doctors in the house at the same time."

"ISN'T THERE A SAYING, DOCTOR, THAT EIGHT HOURS SLEEP IS ENOUGH FOR A MAN, TEN FOR A WOMAN, AND TWELVE FOR A CHILD?"

"YES, AND SIXTEEN FOR A PHILADELPHIAN."



AFTER MANY YEARS.



SWEARING HIM IN.

WHEN Madeleine's parents became so old that they could live no longer, they died. Soon afterward, Madeleine married Clarence Hungerford, and went with him to live in a cottage trimmed with honeysuckle, and filled with love and empty cupboards.

One night about 6:30 p.m., Clarence and Madeleine crept into opposite corners of their tiny cottage and shivered, for the wolf was at the door, and every time he snarled, a pang of hunger smote their hearts. A while later, a sound to which they were rarely accustomed, smote their ears. The sound emanated from the postman's whistle, and Madeleine timidly opened the door, dodged the wolf and snatched the letter which the postman held toward her. Fearing lest it be an increased demand for rent, Madeleine, by a herculean effort, forebore opening the envelope for several hours, but the time came when she literally forced herself to examine the packet. Turning it over, Madeleine saw that the letter was addressed to her father, and that it had been redirected to



Poetic Tramp: HOW SWEETLY THE OLD CHURCH BELL TOLLS THE KNELL OF PARTING DAY, EH, TOM?

The Other One: A SUPPER BELL SOUNDING THE APPROACH OF COMING GRUB 'D SUIT ME BETTER!

her. She hurriedly opened it and a check dropped into her lap, as did also a note composed of words to the following effect:

"Please accept enclosed check in payment for your poem, which appears in the current issue of our magazine. Publication is often delayed in order that we may give the press of similar material on hand a chance to be seen and appreciated. Yours, etc., THE EDITOR."

"It is the check for father's poem, which he used to tell me about when I was a child," cried Madeleine, joyfully; then Clarence and she retired sadly, for they could not cash the check at nine p.m., nor could they eat it. When the a.m. dawned, however, they exchanged the check for lucre, and that night, when the wolf returned to their door, they chased



"I SUPPOSE WHEN YOU MARRY THE DUKE YOU WILL GO AT ONCE TO HIS HOME IN ENGLAND WITH HIM?"

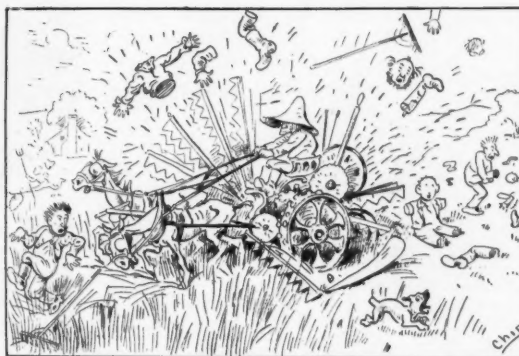
"DEAR ME, NO! I WOULDN'T TRUST MYSELF AWAY OVER THERE WITH A MAN I KNOW SO LITTLE ABOUT."

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him around to the back yard, and set before him such a feast that he overate and died.

"Clarence," said Madeleine, "you would better write a poem. It may save our posterity from starvation."

Alex. H. Laidlaw, Jr.

WHY HE CAME EARLY.

MOTHER (*sitting down just as the train starts*): Oh, would you mind changing seats with me, sir? My baby wants to look out of the window.

MR. HAVEN HARTFORD (*with sarcastic politeness*): With pleasure, madam. I have been saving this seat for him for half an hour.

HE COULD NOT HELP IT.

DIMLING: Why did you leave the lecture platform, Larkin?

LARKIN: Well, I was egged on to take that step.

PERDITA: Did you kiss him?

PENELOPE (*ambiguously*): Not much.

WHY I AM SINGLE.



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Of stout girls I'm equally fond ;
I dote on a fair, white complexion,
I dote on a dark, olive face ;
The short girls are my predilection,



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AH, me, 'tis a doleful condition,
To be a lone bachelor through life,
And all through a lack of decision
In making my choice of a wife.
I love the brunettes to distraction,
I worship the sweet, blue-eyed blonde ;
Thin girls have a subtle
attraction,



In tall girls I find winsome grace ;
For bright, frisky girls I've a passion,
And coy, gentle girls I adore ;
I like the proud lady of fashion,
The plain country lass I like more ;
I love both the world-wise blue-stocking,
And her with the untutored mind ;
I like the bold girl, though she's shocking,
I like the shy maid who's refined.



The more I with womankind mingle,
The more does the question perplex !
I fear I shall still remain single ;
The fact is, I love the whole sex.

Milton Goldsmith.



"SO you have sent him away forever ?"
"Yes ; he persisted in wearing diamond
studs in his outing shirt."



A FIFTH AVENUE SWELL.

SO far the authorities have dealt successfully with the threatened cholera epidemic, and at present writing seem to have slaughtered all the microbes imported up to date. Governor Flower has shown himself a bigger man than anyone, except his intimate friends, suspected. Mr. Pierpont Morgan has given another demonstration that sordidness does not always go with great wealth. Dr. Jenkins has done his work well, in spite of vicious criticism, and the emergency has shown many things that are to the credit of Americans in particular and human nature in general. Of course greed and unscrupulousness had to come to the surface to some extent, but upon the whole the experience has been creditable.

What has been, however, must be regarded as only a preliminary test. In that aspect, the experience has been a valuable one. The weak spots in our quarantine system have been discovered and the question of disputed authority has been raised. These matters must be looked to before next Spring, when most likely the great battle will have to be fought. By that time perhaps the Government will have put up a dam to stop the influx of filthy foreigners that has cursed this country for the past few years.

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SUITED.

She sat on the steps at the evening-tide

Enjoying the balmy air;

He came and asked: "May I sit by your side?"

And she gave him a vacant stair.

—Cape Cod Item.

YOUNG TODDLEBY was a true-hearted and promising youth. He was studying law with Mr. Lofter. It so happened that Toddleby became acquainted with a beautiful young lady, daughter of old Digby. He loved the fair maiden, and when he had reason to believe that his love was returned, he asked Mr. Lofter to recommend him to the father, Lofter being on terms of close intimacy with the family. The lawyer agreed and performed his mission; but old Digby, who loved money, asked what property the young man had. Lofter said he did not know, but he would inquire. The next time he saw the young student he asked him if he had any property.

"Only health, strength, and a determination to work," replied the youth.

"Well," said the lawyer, who sincerely believed the student was in every way worthy, "let us see. What will you take for your right leg? I will give you five thousand pounds for it, Toddleby."

Of course, Toddleby refused. The next time the lawyer saw the young lady's father he said: I have inquired about this young man's circumstances. He has no money in the bank, but he owns a piece of property for which, to my certain knowledge, he has been offered and has refused five thousand pounds."—Exchange.

I SAW an amusing thing at a local depot not long ago. The gateman at this depot lisped pitifully, and always seemed pained when anyone asked him a question. On this special day a woman with a small boy approached him and asked: "What time does the next train leave for B—?"

"Theven thithy theven," he replied; and the woman and her young hopeful retreated to the waiting-room. She soon emerged again, however, and approached the gateman.

"Excuse me," she said, "but what time did you say the next train left for B—?" The gateman breathed a deep sigh and answered laboriously:

"At theven thithy theven." Once more the child and his ma withdrew and left the poor man in peace. But he was not long to enjoy this state of quiet felicity, for, in a few moments, out she came again, and put the very same question. A look of exasperation came over the man's face as he said, "you hath loht that train now, madam. I am tho thorry. It leht at theven thithy theven, and it ith the lath that thoph at B—."

"Oh, don't let that trouble you," she replied with a sweetly patronizing smile. "We really didn't want that train, but my little boy *does* like to hear you say seven fifty-seven." "Thanks, ever so much!" the small boy added. "Good-bye, mister."—Boston Budget.

SIR CHARLES GAVAN DUFFY himself tells this story: An artist named Cromley painted his portrait, and bestowed on him a dreamy, poetic face which might have passed for Shelley's. The portrait was shown to Daniel O'Connell by the artist, in presence of Duffy.

"Is not that very like Duffy?" said Cromley.

"H'm," said O'Connell, looking from the portrait to the original, "I wish Duffy was very like that."—Argonaut.

CITIZEN: What's up?

POLICEMAN: Oi'm knockin' fur help, an' ringin' fur an ambulance.

CITIZEN: What's the matter?

POLICEMAN: Oi just saw two Oytalians smilin' at th' same woman.—N. Y. Weekly.

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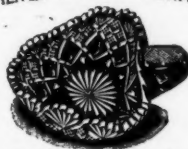
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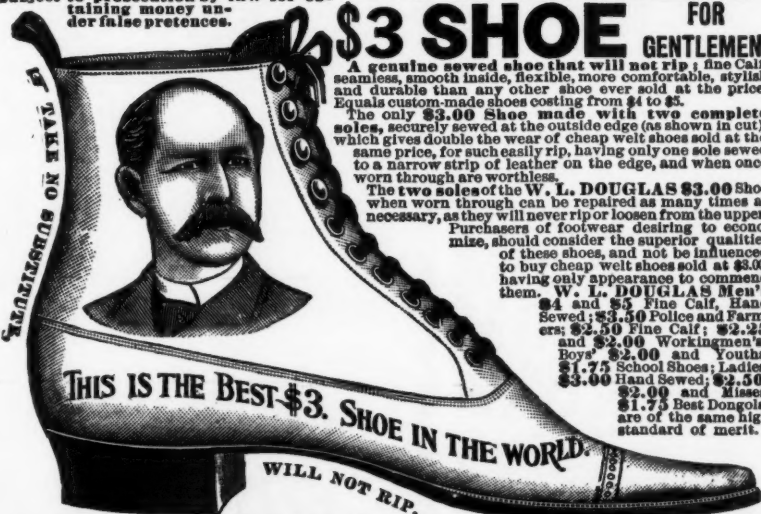
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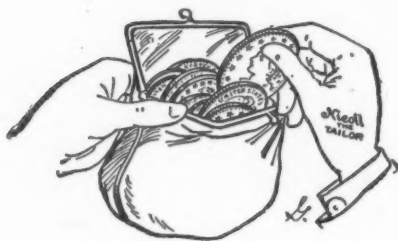


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